Laterality (paired organs) at diagnosis describes the primary site ONLY.

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Topography	Topography Description	Laterality
C000	External upper lip	0
C001	External lower lip	0
C002	External lip NOS	0
C003	Mucosa of upper lip	0
C004	Mucosa of lower lip	0
C005	Mucosa of lip NOS	0
C006	Commissure of lip	0
C008	Overlapping lesion of lip	0
C009	Lip NOS	0
C019	Base of tongue NOS	0
C020	Dorsal surface of tongue NOS	0
C021	Border of tongue	0
C022	Ventral surface of tongue NOS	0
C023	Anterior 2/3 of tongue NOS	0
C024	Lingual tonsil	0
C028	Overlapping lesion of tongue	0
C029	Tongue NOS	0
C030	Upper gum	0
C031	Lower gum	0
C039	Gum NOS	0
C040	Anterior floor of mouth	0
C041	Lateral floor of mouth	0
C048	Overlapping lesion of floor of mouth	0
C049	Floor of mouth NOS	0
C050	Hard palate	0
C051	Soft palate NOS	0
C052	Uvula	0
C058	Overlapping lesion of palate	0
C059	Palate NOS	0
C060	Cheek mucosa	0
C061	Vestibule of mouth	0
C062	Retromolar area	0
C068	Overlapping lesion of other and unspecified parts of mouth	0

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C069	Mouth NOS	0
C079	Parotid gland	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C080	Submandibular gland	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C081	Sublingual gland	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C088	Overlapping lesion of major salivary gland	0
C089	Major salivary gland NOS	0
C090	Tonsillar fossa	0
C091	Tonisillar pillar	0
C098	Overlapping lesion of tonsil	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C099	Tonsil NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C100	Vallecula	0
C101	Anterior surface of epiglottis	0
C102	Lateral wall of oropharynx	0
C103	Posterior wall of oropharynx	0
C104	Branchial cleft	0
C108	Overlapping lesion of oropharynx	0
C109	Oropharynx NOS	0
C110	Superior wall of nasopharynx	0
C111	Posterior wall of nasopharynx	0
C112	Lateral wall of nasopharynx	0
C113	Anterior wall of nasopharynx	0
C118	Overlapping lesion of nasopharynx	0
C119	Nasopharynx NOS	0
C129	Pyriform sinus	0
C130	Postcricoid region	0
C131	Aryepiglottic fold	0
C132	Posterior wall of hypopharynx	0
C138	Overlapping lesion of hypopharynx	0
C139	Laryngopharynx Hypopharynx NOS	0
C140	Pharynx NOS	0
C142	Waldeyer's ring NOS	0
C148	Overlapping lesion of lip oral cavity pharynx	0
C150	Cervical esophagus	0
C151	Thoracic esophagus	0
C152	Abdominal esophagus	0
C153	Upper third of esophagus	0
C154	Middle third of esophagus	0
C155	Lower third of esophagus	0
C158	Overlapping lesion of esophagus	0

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C159	Oesophagus NOS	0
C160	Cardia NOS	0
C161	Fundus of stomach	0
C162	Body of stomach	0
C163	Gastric antrum	0
C164	Pylorus	0
C165	Lesser curvature of stomach NOS	0
C166	Greater curvature of stomach NOS	0
C168	Overlapping lesion of stomach	0
C169	Stomach NOS	0
C170	Duodenum	0
C171	Jejunum	0
C172	Ileum	0
C173	Meckel's diverticulum	0
C178	Overlapping lesion of small intestine	0
C179	Small intestine	0
C180	Cecum	0
C181	Appendix	0
C182	Ascending colon	0
C183	Hepatic flexure of colon	0
C184	Transverse colon	0
C185	Splenic flexure of colon	0
C186	Descending colon	0
C187	Sigmoid colon	0
C188	Overlapping lesion of colon	0
C189	Colon NOS	0
C199	Rectosigmoid junction	0
C209	Rectum NOS	0
C210	Anus NOS	0
C211	Anal canal	0
C212	Cloacogenic zone	0
C218	Overlapping lesion of rectum anus	0
C220	Liver	0
C221	Intrahepatic bile duct	0
C239	Gallbladder	0
C240	Extrahepatic bile duct	0
C241	Ampulla of Vater	0
C248	Overlapping lesion of biliary tract	0
C249	Biliary tract NOS	0

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C250	Head of pancreas	0
C251	Body of pancreas	0
C252	Tail of pancreas	0
C253	Pancreatic duct	0
C254	Islets of Langerhans	0
C257	Other specified parts of pancreas	0
C258	Overlapping lesion of pancreas	0
C259	Pancreas NOS	0
C260	Intestinal tract NOS	0
C268	Overlapping lesion of digestive system	0
C269	Gastrointestinal tract NOS	0
C300	Nasal cavity (excluding nasal cartilage, nasal septum - code 0)	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C301	Middle ear	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C310	Maxillary sinus	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C311	Ethmoid sinus	0
C312	Frontal sinus	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C313	Sphenoid sinus	0
C318	Overlapping lesion of accessory sinuses	0
C319	Accessory sinus NOS	0
C320	Glottis	0
C321	Supraglottis	0
C322	Subglottis	0
C323	Laryngeal cartilage	0
C328	Overlapping lesion of larynx	0
C329	Larynx NOS	0
C339	Trachea	0
C340	Main bronchus (excluding carina - code 0)	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C341	Upper lobe lung	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C342	Middle lobe lung	1, 9
C343	Lower lobe lung	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C348	Overlapping lesion of lung	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C349	Lung NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C379	Thymus	0
C380	Heart	0
C381	Anterior mediastinum	0
C382	Posterior mediastinum	0
C383	Mediastinum NOS	0
C384	Pleura NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C388	Overlapping lesion of heart mediastinum pleura	0

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C390	Upper respiratory tract	0
C398	Overlapping lesion of respiratory system	0
C399	III-defined sites within respiratory system	0
C400	Long bones of upper limb scapula	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C401	Short bones of upper limb	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C402	Long bones of lower limb	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C403	Short bones of lower limb	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C408	Overlapping lesion of bones of limb	0
C409	Bone of limb NOS	0
C410	Bones of skull and face	0
C411	Mandible	0
C412	Vertebral column	0
C413	Rib Clavicle (except sternum - code 0)	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C414	Pelvic bones (excluding sacrum, coccyx and symphysis pubis - code '0')	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C418	Overlapping lesion of bones	0
C419	Bone NOS	0
C420	Blood	0
C421	Bone marrow	0
C422	Spleen	0
C423	Reticuloendothelial system NOS	0
C424	Hematopoietic system NOS	0
C440	Skin of lip NOS	0
C441	Eyelid	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C442	External ear	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C443	Skin other and unspecified parts of face	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C444	Skin of scalp and neck	0
C445	Skin of trunk	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C446	Skin of upper limb and shoulder	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C447	Skin of lower limb and hip	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C448	Overlapping lesion of skin	0
C449	Skin NOS	0
C470	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of head face neck	0
C471	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of upper limb shoulder	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C472	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of lower limb hip	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C473	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of thorax	0
C474	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of abdomen	0
C475	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of pelvis	0
C476	Peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system of trunk	0
C478	Overlapping lesion of peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system	0

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C479	Autonomic nervous system NOS	0
C480	Retroperitoneum	0
C481	Specified parts of peritoneum	0
C482	Peritoneum NOS	0
C488	Overlapping lesion of retroperitoneum & peritoneum	0
C490	Soft tissues of head face and neck	0
C491	Soft tissues of upper limb shoulder	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C492	Soft tissues of lower limb and hip	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C493	Soft tissues of thorax	0
C494	Soft tissues of abdomen	0
C495	Soft tissues of pelvis	0
C496	Soft tissues of trunk	0
C498	Overlapping lesion of soft tissues	0
C499	Other soft tissues	0
C500	Nipple	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C501	Central portion of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C502	Upper-inner quadrant of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C503	Lower-inner quadrant of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C504	Upper-outer quadrant of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C505	Lower-outer quadrant of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C506	Axillary tail of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C508	Overlapping lesion of breast	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C509	Breast NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C510	Labium majus	0
C511	Labium minus	0
C512	Clitoris	0
C518	Overlapping lesion of vulva	0
C519	Vulva NOS	0
C529	Vagina NOS	0
C530	Endocervix	0
C531	Exocervix	0
C538	Overlapping lesion of cervix uteri	0
C539	Cervix uteri	0
C540	Isthmus uteri	0
C541	Endometrium	0
C542	Myometrium	0
C543	Fundus uteri	0
C548	Overlapping lesion of corpus uteri	0
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C559	Uterus NOS	0
C569	Ovary	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C570	Fallopian tube	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C571	Broad ligament	0
C572	Round ligament	0
C573	Parametrium	0
C574	Uterine adnexa	0
C577	Other parts of female genital organs	0
C578	Overlapping lesion of female genital organs	0
C579	Female genital tract NOS	0
C589	Placenta	0
C600	Prepuce	0
C601	Glans penis	0
C602	Body of penis	0
C608	Overlapping lesion of penis	0
C609	Penis NOS	0
C619	Prostate gland	0
C620	Undescended testis	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C621	Descended testis	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C629	Testis NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C630	Epididymis	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C631	Spermatic cord	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C632	Scrotum NOS	0
C637	Other parts of male genital organs	0
C638	Overlapping lesion of male genital organs	0
C639	Male genital organs NOS	0
C649	Kidney NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C659	Renal pelvis	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C669	Ureter	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C670	Trigone of urinary bladder	0
C671	Dome of urinary bladder	0
C672	Lateral wall of urinary bladder	0
C673	Anterior wall of urinary bladder	0
C674	Posterior wall of urinary bladder	0
C675	Bladder neck	0
C676	Ureteric orifice	0
C677	Urachus	0
C678	Overlapping lesion of bladder	0
C679	Urinary bladder NOS	0

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C680	Urethra	0
C681	Paraurethral gland	0
C688	Overlapping lesion of urinary organs	0
C689	Urinary system NOS	0
C690	Conjunctiva	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C691	Cornea NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C692	Retina	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C693	Choroid	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C694	Ciliary body	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C695	Lacrimal gland NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C696	Orbit NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C698	Overlapping lesion of eye adnexa	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C699	Eye NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C700	Cerebral meninges (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C701	Spinal meninges	0
C709	Meninges NOS	0
C710	Cerebrum (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C711	Frontal lobe (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C712	Temporal lobe (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C713	Parietal lobe (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C714	Occipital lobe (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C715	Ventricle NOS	0
C716	Cerebellum NOS	0
C717	Brain stem	0
C718	Overlapping lesion of brain	0
C719	Brain NOS	0
C720	Spinal cord	0
C721	Cauda equina	0
C722	Olfactory nerve (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C723	Optic nerve (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C724	Acoustic nerve (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C725	Cranial nerve (effective with cases diagnosed 1/1/2004)	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9
C728	Overlapping lesion of brain and CNS	0
C729	Nervous system NOS	0
C739	Thyroid gland	0
C740	Cortex of adrenal gland	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C741	Medulla of adrenal gland	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C749	Adrenal gland NOS	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C750	Parathyroid gland	0

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C751	Pituitary gland	0
C752	Craniopharyngeal duct	0
C753	Pineal gland	0
C754	Carotid body	1, 2, 3, 4, 9
C755	Aortic body and other paraganglia	0
C758	Overlapping lesion of endocrine glands	0
C759	Endocrine gland NOS	0
C760	Head face or neck NOS	0
C761	Thorax NOS	0
C762	Abdomen NOS	0
C763	Pelvis NOS	0
C764	Upper limb NOS	0
C765	Lower limb NOS	0
C767	Other ill-defined sites	0
C768	Overlapping lesion of ill-defined sites	0
C770	Lymph nodes of head face and neck	0
C771	Intrathoracic lymph nodes	0
C772	Intra-abdominal lymph nodes	0
C773	Lymph nodes of axilla or arm	0
C774	Lymph nodes inguinal region or leg	0
C775	Pelvic lymph nodes	0
C778	Lymph nodes of multiple regions	0
C779	Lymph node NOS	0
C809	Unknown primary site	0

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